



# CITY OF MANCHESTER

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### Senior Services Commission Meeting Agenda March 2, 2022, 9am, via Zoom

- I. Call Meeting to order
- II. Approve minutes of previous meeting, February 2022 MARYLYNN first Lee second
- III. Public Comment- To provide residents of Manchester the opportunity to speak and address the Senior Services Commission on items of concern regarding the Senior Services Department/Activity Center. Comments limited to 3 minutes and directed to the Commission Chairman. Any resident requesting to speak must state name, address and give comments. All comments will be taken under advisement and will receive and file any written documentation.
- IV. AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities—updates
- V. Resource Booklet updates—Thanks to Kim for the content updates and filling in gaps, and putting everything together. Sean suggested we think about different font, is there an ADA best practices? Need to standardize formatting. Larger, clearer section breaks. Pat mentioned that we could shorten the table of contents to save space and allow for the above suggested revisions. Pat also mentioned making section headers consistent. Sean will speak to someone in Economic Development about formatting and layout. All will give Kim edits by Monday March 7. Consider having an outside reader to proofread before going to print. Kathy suggested asking someone in the Library (Denise Van Zandt) to proof. Kim and Kathy can follow up.
- VI. 2022 Goals for the Commission—decide on goals to explore over next two months

Working group to consider starting Community Garden: volunteers for planting, coordinating seniors with students. Kim could possibly advertise within the Center. Lee could possibly help with recruiting members too. Idea of looking for retired teachers and members of garden clubs. Could dovetail with summer camps. Modest goals for this Spring. Kim and Lee can report back with interested people at our next meeting. Manchester Moves another resource (rail trails and garden at Stark Park?). Kim mentioned idea of collaborating with City's Fun in the Sun program.

Idea of survey— Pat mentioned idea of possibly a table at events (Easter Seals run for example, Eversource is the sponsor), perhaps Farmers Market too. Pat will follow up with Farmers Market, Kathy will follow up with Easter Seals.

We will begin drafting survey, idea of a paper version of survey too. Mail survey out to members (AARP list), Chamber of Commerce too?

- VII. Next meeting—discussion of in-person or virtual—April virtual and May in-person with a table at the Cashin Center. Hope of having resource booklet printed by the May meeting.



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- VIII. New Business [Senior Storytelling—virtual and in-person, Sue Harmon at the Library is the contact (624-6550), personal stories; something Cashin could promote or even hosts. Remembering Together is the new name, Kim said, and Cashin is hosting these now. March 21 and 28. Kathy asked if Kim could send out newsletter to WMUR and Union Leader as press releases.
- IX. SSSII Report, see separate attachment
- X. Motion to adjourn into non-public session- RSA 91-A:3 ( c ) Matters that, if discussed in public would adversely affect the reputation of someone other than a member of the public body. Matters shall remain confidential.
- XI. Next Meeting—Wednesday, April 6, 2022, 9am

Join Zoom Meeting

Link: <https://anselm.zoom.us/j/91786600367>